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Applicant: Frost

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For: Modular Valve Assembly

Examiner: John Bastianelli

Group A.U.: 3751

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

The Applicant has received the Official Action dated December 19, 2005. In the Office Action, the Examiner has provided issues related to claim numbering and an election requirement. These issues will be addressed in the same order as provided by the Office Action. Amendments to the claims are provided herewith on the enclosed pages in accordance with the current requirements of C.F.R. § 1.121 marked *** VERSION SHOWING CHANGES MADE ***.